

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Mines & Minerals - Reservation of the Iron Ore bearing areas of 56690.000 Hectares in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals, Khammam District for exclusive exploration for 10 years in favour of M/s A.P.Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC) under Section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (D&R) Act,1957 - Notified - Cancellation - Orders - Issued.

INDUSTRIES & COMMERCE (M.III) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 126

Dated 09-12-2010.
Read the following :-

- 1) G.O.Ms.No.64, Ind. & Com (M.III) Deptt., dt.30-6-2010.
- 2) A.P.Gazette Notification No.315 dt.01-07-2010.
- 3) From the DM&G letter No. .23887/P1/2000, dt.21-7-2010
- 4) Government letter No.4299/M.III(2)/2006-18, dt.23-07-2010.
- 5) From the Ministry of Mines, Govt. of India letter No. F.No.4/4/2006-MVI,dt.17-8-2010.
- 6) Govt. memo No.4299/M.III(2)/2010-20, dt.10-11-2010.
- 7) From the VC&MD, APMDC, letter NoAPMDC/Iron Ore/ Reservation/ KMM/06/3420, dt.29-11-2010.

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ORDER :

In the reference 1st read above, Government have issued notification for reserving the Iron Ore bearing areas covering an extent of 56690.000 Hectares in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals, Khammam District for exclusive exploration for 10 years in favour of M/s Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited (APMDC) under section 17A(2) of the Mines and Minerals (Development and Regulation) Act,1957, subject to certain conditions mentioned therein. Accordingly, the said notification was published in Andhra Pradesh Extra-ordinary Gazette vide reference 2nd read above.

- 2) In the reference 3rd read above, the Director of Mines &Geology, Hyderabad has stated that 30-40% of this geographical area consists of villages/towns/mandal headquarters ie., covered by houses,buildings, inhabitants etc. Apart from this, it also covers railway lines, roads, rivers and other public structures etc. Therefore, he requested the Government to issue necessary orders duly excluding these areas for taking up exploration accordingly.
- 3) After examining the proposals of the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad., Government vide reference 4th read above have requested the Central Government to issue necessary orders to **keep the prior approval**, conveyed vide their letter dt.25-9-2009, **in abeyance**, so as to enable the State Government to keep the notification issued vide G.O.Ms.No.64, Industries & Commerce (M.III) Department, Dt.30-06-2010 also in abeyance.
- 4) In the reference 5th read above, Ministry of Mines, Government of India observed that since the intention of the State Government is to exclude such area from the area that needs to be reserved for exploration, the Central Government was of the view that the actual area required to be reserved for M/s APMDC in Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandal, Khammam district for exclusive exploration would be quite different in both extent and appearance from the original proposal as submitted to the Ministry of Mines vide State Government's letter No.4299/M.III(2)/2006-9,dt.21-6-2006. It also observed that the State Government has not indicated the time that would be taken to complete the exercise for identification of area for exploration. The Central Government therefore was of the opinion that it is not appropriate or feasible

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to keep the proposal in abeyance because there is no question of its revival in the present shape. Accordingly, considering the above mentioned facts, the Central Government approval conveyed vide letter No.4/4/2006-MVI,dt.25-9-2009 for reservation of area over an extent of 56690.000 hectares of Bayyaram, Garla and Nelakondapally Mandals, Khammam district for exclusive exploration for 10 years in favour of M/s APMDC was **revoked** with immediate effect. Consequentially, the State Government was **directed to cancel** the orders issued in the reference 1st read above and also advised to complete the exercise of identification of the areas for exploration and then only send a revised proposal for reservation of any area to the Central Government.

5) In the reference 6th read above, Government have issued a show cause notice to the APMDC Ltd., to submit their objections if any, on the proposed action of the Government, for cancellation of the G.O.Ms.No.64, dt.30-6-2010, within 15 days from the date of receipt of the notice. Accordingly, the APMDC have submitted their reply vide reference 7th read above and stated that the Corporation vide their letter dt.30-10-2006 addressed to the Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad have requested to recommend to the Govt. to reserve the subject area for exclusive exploitation by APMDC but did not indicate the extent which was mentioned in the Government order. The extent was added by the Director of Mines & Geology's office. In view of the above, the Vice Chairman & Managing Director, Andhra Pradesh Mineral Development Corporation Limited requested that the Director of Mines & Geology may expedite the matter to ensure that reservation for exploitation is given to APMDC at the earliest .

6) Government after careful examination of the matter hereby decided to cancel the notification issued in the reference 1st read above.

7) Accordingly, the following Notification shall be published in Extra-ordinary issue of the Andhra Pradesh Gazette, dated 10th December,2010

NOTIFICATION

The Notification issued vide G.O.Ms.No.64, Industries & Commerce (M.III) Department, dated 30-06-2010 and published in the A.P.Extra-ordinary Gazette vide No.315, 1st July, 2010 is hereby cancelled.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

RANJEEV R.ACHARYA,
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

The Commissioner of Printing,Stationery, Chenchalguda, Hyderabad.

(He is requested to publish in Extra-ordinary Andhra Pradesh Gazette and send the same to the Government in 250 copies).

The Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad.

The Vice Chairman & Managing Director, APMDC, Hyderabad.

Copy to:

The District Collector, Khammam.

The Zonal Joint Director of Mines & Geology, Hyderabad.

The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Kothagudem, Khammam District.

The Assistant Director of Mines & Geology, Khammam.

The Secretary to Govt. of India, Ministry of Mines, New Delhi.

The Controller General, Indian Bureau of Mines, Nagpur.

The Director General, Mines Safety, Dhanbad, Bihar.

The Regional Controller of Mines, Koti, Hyderabad.

The Industries & Commerce (Mines-I, Mines-II, SPIU & SAND) Department.

SF/SC(c.No.4299/M.III(2)/2006)

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